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AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS;
PROVIDING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AT THE NEW MEXICO
MILITARY INSTITUTE TO EDUCATE NEW MEXICO RESIDENTS FOR
CAREERS AS PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION--SCHOLARSHIPS.--

A. The board of regents of the New Mexico military
institute may establish a public safety officer education
program for students interested in careers in public safety.

B. Subject to available funding, the board of
regents of the New Mexico military institute may offer public
safety officer education scholarships to New Mexico residents
who enroll in the public safety officer education program.

With the advice of the department of public safety, the board
of regents shall establish criteria for awarding the public
safety officer education scholarships and, with the
cooperation of the department of public safety, may establish
internship programs with public safety agencies for
scholarship recipients.

Section 2. SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY--ADDITIONAL
POWERS--PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM.--

A. The secretary of public safety may enter into

1 an agreement with the board of regents of the New Mexico
2 military institute under which the institute would offer
3 public safety officer education scholarships to New Mexico
4 residents interested in careers as public safety officers.
5 The agreement may provide criteria for recruiting scholarship
6 applicants and awarding scholarships and for internship
7 programs at public safety agencies for scholarship
8 recipients.

9 B. Subject to available appropriations, the
10 secretary of public safety may transfer funds each fiscal
11 year to the board of regents of the New Mexico military
12 institute for the scholarship program for New Mexico
13 residents interested in careers as public safety officers._____

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